



United States Mission to the OSCE

Response to Belarus on demonstrations in the US

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Regarding the remarks by my Belarusian colleagues on demonstrations taking place currently across the United States and in many parts of the world, I just want to say that the United States welcomes a robust exchange of views on the importance of protecting the rights of our people to peacefully assemble to express their views, and of course we will return to this subject at a later time.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.